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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME AND
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 5, 2005**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to respond to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”) Office Action mailed August 5, 2005 (“the Office Action”). Accordingly, the time for response will be extended up to and including December 5, 2005. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the fee for the one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). Applicants believe that no additional fee is required for the submission of this Response. However, in the event that the USPTO requires an additional fee to enter this Response or to maintain the present application pending, now or hereinafter, please charge such fee to the undersigned’s Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 5, 2005, Applicants submit the following
remarks that begin on page 2 of this paper.